

LONDON IS MUCH EXCITED
OVER MOVEMENT OF ARMY

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MEXICAN TROUBLES

Are Still Believed to Be the Basis of the Military Activity.

LONDON, March 8.—Mobilization of the American army at the Mexican frontier excited great interest on the part of London politicians and commercial interests, but all are still in the dark as to whether the movement is for political or purely military reasons.

The foreign office denies that the British government suggested the action taken by Washington. Little doubt is expressed by the public and newspapers that the political situation in Mexico caused President Taft's move.

So far as any extension of power of the United States on the American continent is concerned, it is doubtful that such an outcome would be popular with the British public at this time.

This evening the foreign office announced that no instructions had been sent to Ambassador Bryce at Washington in regard to events in Mexico.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—The movement of troops to the southern frontier is proceeding with timeliness and the regularity of clock work. Not a hitch has been encountered and practically the entire force of 20,000 men is now enroute, or will be in a few hours, to the lower part of Texas and California. The war department has received more than 100 telegrams telling of the movement.

The troops are equipped with ball cartridges, although it is inadvisable to supply troops with blank ammunition for practice exercises or peaceful maneuvers.

Notwithstanding this, however, official Washington still maintains that the movement is merely a plan for practice to determine the efficiency of the fighting arms of the country in mobilizing and concentrating on short notice. While this is held to be true, technically the general impression prevails that the military activity has a vital and direct relation to the revolutionary movement in Mexico.

The navy department continues its preparations today for the dispatch of the Fifth division of the Atlantic fleet, and a large detachment of marines to Guantanamo, Cuba. Marines are being assembled at Philadelphia for transportation on the Dixie and Prairie. The men, with their accoutrements and supplies are reaching the Pennsylvania port in perfect order and smoothness.

Four armored cruisers of the Fifth division, under Rear Admiral Stanton, are being supplied with their full complement of bluejackets. They will sail as soon as they are ready.

The Mexican embassy today issued a statement branding as preposterous reports that the Mexican government is looking to the United States for aid in regulating its internal affairs.

The movement of troops is the topic of conversation among all callers at the White House today. No information of any sort is obtainable from President Taft or from the executive offices.

A report that President Taft might find it necessary to return direct to Washington from Atlanta, where he will speak Friday, was denied at the White House. It was said the President would go from Atlanta to Augusta, where he will rest for a week or two.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Uneasiness over the Mexican situation resulted in an unusual weakness of the stocks of the national railways of Mexico, when the market opened today. The general list was inclined to heaviness.

MINERS STRIKE

Ten Thousand Men in One of the Ohio Coal Fields Will Be Affected.

WHEELING, Mar. 8.—Miners of the Tuscarawas, O., coal field decided here today to call a strike in that entire mining district which includes a small part of Pennsylvania bituminous territory. The date will be left to the national board of the United Mine Workers of America, which will meet at Canton tomorrow. Ten thousand men will be affected.

GRAND JURY FINDS
TWO FELONY BILLSJULIATED AT THE
LAST MOMENT

Morris Harvey Woman Teacher Changes Her Mind About Being Married.

HUNTINGTON, Mar. 8.—Miss Sadie J. Garr, head of the Normal department of Morris Harvey College, is still a bachelor girl, imparting wisdom to the classes under her care. Miss Garr had intended forsaking the college to preside over a little home of her own, but after the marriage license had been granted she changed her mind. The paper was returned to the clerk of the court unused.

That Miss Garr remains single is due to the perseverance of Prof. R. H. Alderman, principal of the college, who prevailed upon her to give up, at least for the present, thoughts of matrimony.

Charles S. Wyette, a young Englishman, who came here twelve weeks ago, ostensibly to study music, has packed his music roll, his trunk and gone thither.

The nightly wailings of Wyette and Miss Garr became common gossip among the students, and it was an open secret that Miss Garr capitulated to the pleadings of Wyette. A license was granted for the marriage and the announcement was published in a local newspaper.

Prof. Alderman, at once, got busy. He pleaded with Miss Garr to remain in the state of single blessedness and finally succeeded in extracting a pledge from the pretty young pedagogue to break the engagement. The decision of Miss Garr was quietly broken to Wyette. At the hour set for the wedding, Wyette instead was packing his belongings.

Miss Garr is one of the most valued members of the faculty of the college.

DIPLOMA

Examinations Are to Open at Several Places in County Tomorrow.

The first school diploma examination for Harrison county, tomorrow and next day will be held at the following places:

West Milford school house.
Mineral school house.
Lost Creek school house.
Adamston school house.
Bridgeport school house.
Lumberport school house.
Wyatt school house.
Wallace school house.
Sardis school house.
Salem school house.

Provision has been made for two kinds of diplomas, viz: the elementary and graded school. The elementary diploma will be granted to pupils passing satisfactory examination on the following subjects: Orthography, physiology and hygiene, English grammar and language, United States history, state history, reading and literature, arithmetic and penmanship. The graded school diploma will be granted to those passing satisfactory examination on the above named subjects and general history and book-keeping.

The second examination will be held May 4 and 5 at several places not yet designated.

TAKEN FROM JAIL TO ASYLUM.

After being kept in the county jail here for seven days, Mrs. David Rinehart, a Preston county woman who recently lost her mind and was adjudged insane, was taken to the state hospital for the insane at Weston Tuesday night. A woman attendant came here from the hospital and took her there.

CONGRESS OPENS.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 8.—The thousand business men of the North and South were present when the Southern Commercial Congress opened this morning.

And a Few Misdemeanor Indictments the First Day of Its Work.

Two felony cases, three liquor indictments, two charges of obstructing the public highways and two true bills for fighting constituted the report of the criminal court grand jury Wednesday morning.

The felonies are as follows: Clarence H. Matheny, perjury at his trial the last term for bigamy. Goff McIntire for assault on William Halpenny, October 28.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company was indicted for obstructing the public highway at Lost Creek, and the Hope Natural Gas Company for a similar offense in Clay district.

Indictments for selling liquor without a state license were found against Sam Ruble, two cases, and Philip Barbary.

Claude Lindsey was indicted for an assault on James C. Smith last June.

Jose Starkey was indicted for an assault on Cleo Hoskinson last July.

Additional jurors to report next Monday for duty were drawn as follows:

Arthur C. Thompson, William E. Husted, Calvin Russell, G. Oney Stout, D. L. Perline, W. D. Bryan, Daniel T. Propst, D. D. Robinson, J. Cline Hood and Henry Bassel.

PEDIGO

Is Renominated by the Republicans of Parkersburg for Mayor of City.

PARKERSBURG, Mar. 8.—At a mass convention last night the Republicans of Parkersburg nominated their municipal ticket as follows:

For Mayor—W. D. Pedigo.

For City Collector—J. W. Jones.

For Member Board of Affairs—E. E. Woodburn.

For Members of Council—Charles Koethe, J. W. Burk, N. L. Upson, Wirt Hawley, Jacob Young, Ben Johnson, J. M. Leary and Ira Kesterson.

PLANS

For the Lutheran Church Are Being Drawn by Local Architects.

Plans for a new church edifice to be erected by the Lutheran denomination on its lot at the corner of Meigs and Park avenues are being drawn by Holmboe & Lafferty. Work on the church will be commenced as soon as the plans are completed, which will likely be within the next ten days. The lot has been owned by the Lutheran congregation for some time.

OPERA HOUSE

Will Be Erected by Frank R. Moore on Fourth Street.

Frank R. Moore will begin the construction of an opera house on his property on Fourth street within thirty days, arrangements to that end having been completed late Wednesday afternoon. The house will be situated between his residence and the Moore building and will have an entrance on Fourth street. It will have a seating capacity of 1,200 and will cost about \$40,000. Moore & Robinson, of Wheeling, who held the lease on the old Traders Grand opera house, have taken a five year lease on the new theatre. The name will probably be the Moore theatre.

TO VOTE ON LICENSE.

FAIRMONT, Mar. 8.—The city board of ballot commissioners has decided to put "For License and Against License" on the ballots to be used at the city election two weeks hence, in order to determine public sentiment on the question of granting saloon licenses by the city council.

GARR TELLS
OF THE SOUTH
IN ADDRESS

In An Eloquent Address Before the Southern Commercial Congress.

EXTENDS A WELCOME

Great Southerner Ably Presents the Progress of the New South.

ATLANTA, Ga., Mar. 8.—Responding to Governor Brown's address of welcome at the opening of the convention of the Southern Commercial Congress, General Julian S. Carr, of Durham, N. C., second vice-president of the Congress, delivered a brief tribute to each of the Southern states.

"For Maryland, my Maryland," he said. "I speak to you for the state which is honored in having been the first of all the colonies to grant freedom of religious worship; the state which in its infancy gave to the nation Francis Scott Key and his Star Spangled Banner."

"I speak for Virginia, mother of Presidents, in whose hallowed soil rests the ashes of her great men, the first Chief Magistrate of the United States. Within her borders, grim-visaged war reaped bloody harvest, but from her battle-stained field sprang the seed of a new generation, one that has placed the dear old state in the very forefront of thriving communities."

"I speak to you for that sturdy state carved from the loins of her noble mother—West Virginia. Wealth beyond the dreams of avarice is held in her mines, her forests and her rivers. The railway mileage of West Virginia in the rapidity of its growth challenges comparison, and on her rivers hundreds of steamships carry the products of her industry."

"For North Carolina, I cry 'All hail! Adversity she has borne with dignity, and prosperity has not in her dried up the sources of kindly sympathy with all them that struggle painfully along the pathways of life. Rich in all that contributes to make a state truly great, she is keeping even step in the grand forward march of our dear Southland."

"I speak for South Carolina, state of the Cavaliers, that state which gave Calhoun to the nation and could rest her claim to recognition and fame on that one fact alone, if there were none other. She has been steadfast in adversity. In those dark days of reconstruction when carpet-buggers and sealions plundered her she sat like Patience on a monument smiling at Grief. She waited for the dawn that ushered in the glorious day of her political and economic regeneration."

"I speak of Tennessee, the state of Old Hickory and numberless others whose names are inscribed on the honor roll of the nation's records. Her iron and steel industries, her lumber trade and other wealth-producing interests; above all the energy and thrift of her people give her a leading place in that wonderful progress which the Southern Commercial Congress so fitly represents."

"For recently Alabama, I speak, the development of whose marvelous natural resources has proceeded by leaps and bounds within this generation and is one of the wonders of this wonderful country of ours. In her leading industries, the output and values have been doubled and quadrupled."

"From Mississippi, I bring you greetings from the state of Jefferson Davis—the great leader of the Confederacy, the lustre of whose name and fame no praise can add to nor any oval can tarnish. Nor can I fail to name that gracious son of the Bayou state—Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus Lamar—representative, senator, justice of the United States supreme court, who adorned with his learning and eloquence every public station to which the nation called him."

"Next in the roll call is Arkansas whose progress in material wealth has been the wonder of the last decade. Arkansas is a shining example of that unquenchable spirit of determination to 'get there' which today animates the whole South and is bound to make this entire section what nature intended it should be—an earthly paradise."

"The state of fair women, swift horses and Marsie Henry Watterson greets you through me. In all the forty-six commonwealths of the Union there is none that can boast of greater glory than Kentucky has shed upon the nation whether in the men that have done the state some service, or in the field of commerce and industry."

"I speak to you for Missouri than whom none other of all the states bears prouder title. Her history ever shines in the annals of the Union. In the field of commerce and industry, she is second to none."

GOVERNOR GLASSCOCK
MAY DEFER EXTRA SESSION
BOTTLE MACHINE
TO BE TRIED HERE

Inventor is Installing It for Demonstration at Local Glass Factory.

Walter D. Morrison, an expert glass maker of San Francisco and promoter of the Automatic Bottle Machine Company, is installing a bottle making machine of his own invention at the Travis Glass Company's bottle manufacturing plant in Glen Elk No. 2, for the purpose of giving the machine a thorough test.

The machine has not been entirely assembled but it will be complete and ready for operation as soon as two or three steel parts are received from a foundry in another city.

Like the Owens bottle making machine, this invention is designed to make bottles automatically, and thus do away with a great deal of hand labor, which is now required in all bottle making factories with the exception of the Owens plants. If the machine is a success, it will pour, mold, blow and discharge bottles all ready for the annealing furnace without the necessity of hand labor. The inventor declares his machine will do this, but of course until a practical demonstration and a thorough test are given, judgment cannot be passed upon the merits of the invention.

The Travis Glass Company is not interested financially in the promotion of the invention but is only giving the inventor an opportunity to demonstrate the machine in the company's plant.

GARCIA ATTACKS

Town of Casas of Grandes and There Are Many Fatalities.

COLUMBUS, N. M., Mar. 8.—Persons arriving overland from Casas Grandes report that Garcia with 500 insurgents attacked that town Monday. They report many fatalities. Casas Grandes was defended by Col. Valdez with 450 men.

MORGAN

School House at Stealey Heights Ready to Be Occupied.

Announcement is made that the new Morgan school house of four rooms at Stealey Heights in the Clarksburg school district will be ready for occupancy next Monday morning and that school will be taught there from that date to the end of the school year. The intention is to use only two rooms this year. The building is a credit to the district. It cost about \$11,000.

BEFORE GRAND JURY.

Captain Linn Osborn of the national guard and Policeman London White have returned from Weston, where they testified before the grand jury in the William Furish riot cases. Dr. S. M. Steele and others, of Weston, have been before the grand jury too in these cases.

ATTEND FUNERAL.

Mrs. Mary Chorpene, of Water street, Miss Ethel Martin, Mrs. Rose Martin, and Messrs. Earl and Kruger Martin attended the funeral of Odie Martin, who died at Keyser Monday, of consumption, which took place at the home at Keyser Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MRS. CHAPLIN DEAD.

MORGANTOWN, Mar. 8.—Mrs. Mahala Chaplin, aged 70, is dead at the home of her son, Benjamin Chaplin, in South Park. She was the widow of Albert G. Chaplin, who died six years ago.

GOING TO SPRINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Griffith will leave tonight for Hot Springs, Ark., where they will remain four weeks and then go to San Antonio, where Mrs. Griffith will spend the summer for the benefit of her health.

SEAMEN IN PERIL.

NORFOLK, Va., March 8.—Thirty-five men on the British steamer, Manchester, which went ashore yesterday, are in imminent peril, as the vessel is being swept by German shells.

PARTY OF "DRYS"
HOLD A MEETING

Mass Meeting is to Be Addressed Tonight by Mr. Watkins, of Ohio.

A conference of the county executive committee of the Prohibition party and party workers was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the court house, for the purpose of reorganizing the executive committee and discussing plans to be followed in the party campaign.

Those present at the meeting were J. Otis Stout, chairman of the committee, A. W. Martin, of Haywood, secretary, H. C. Hedges, of Lumberport, treasurer, the Rev. A. B. Withers, of Bridgeport, John T. Griffin and C. E. Ritter, of Northview.

A. C. Watkins, of Ohio, who was to speak at the afternoon meeting, did not arrive, but is said to be on the way here from Elkins, and is expected to arrive in time to deliver a lecture tonight. The time of tonight's meeting has been set at 8:30 o'clock, so as not to conflict with various meetings held at the churches.

Practically the old executive committee, including chairman, secretary and treasurer, and one member from each district, was chosen to serve during the coming campaign.

HUPP MAKES

Another Arrest for Alleged Violations of the Excise Laws.

GRAFTON, March 8.—William Johnson, who was brought here from Austin by E. D. Hupp, United States deputy marshal, on a charge of selling whiskey in violation of the internal revenue laws, was held for the federal grand jury at Marlinsburg by C. A. Lilly, commissioner, and in default of bond in the sum of \$500 was committed to the Berkeley county jail.

RATE CASES

Before Commission's Examiner Attract the Attention of West Virginians Now.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 8.—The rate cases being heard before an examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission are bringing out considerable matter of interest to shippers in West Virginia. President Johnson, of the Norfolk and Western railway, was on the stand yesterday and it developed through his testimony that at one time the Pennsylvania railroad and allied interests came perilously near controlling the stock of the Norfolk and Western, but that this was averted and the control is not and has not been with that organization. He also denied that the increase in rates on coal to the lakes, which was the cause of the present hearing, was brought about by any other railroad than the Norfolk and Western.

DROPS DEAD

Former Parkersburg Man Dies Suddenly in the City of Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—William T. Lindsay, a resident of Parkersburg many years ago, dropped dead in his home in Washington yesterday, at the age of 76 years. It was in his early life that he went to Parkersburg, where he engaged in the machine business. He served in the Mexican war as a player on the fife. Later he served in the Civil war as an aide to Gen. Alger.

WRIT OF ERROR.

A writ of error has been granted by the state supreme court in the case of Morris, prosecuting attorney, ex rel. against Taylor et al, involving the validity of Stealey Heights as a corporation.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Mar. 8.—Wheat, 99 1/4, corn, 48 1/2, oats, 34 1/2.

Until a Later Date Than April 25 as First Planned.

SO AS TO INCLUDE

Old Virginia Debt Decision in the Action to Be Asked For.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 8.—It seems possible that Governor Glasscock may feel compelled to call a special session of the legislature at a later date than he has hitherto contemplated, in order to meet the Virginia debt situation. The opinion of the supreme court holding West Virginia liable for \$7,000,000 of the indebtedness of the old state, with the possibility of having to pay interest on it may necessitate a special session of the legislature. But the matter will not be ready for consideration at the time set by the governor for assembling the legislature in special session to consider a primary election law.

Under the terms of the supreme court's opinion the two states must hold a conference and endeavor to agree upon the question of interest, with the intimation in the opinion that Virginia should not insist upon interest. It may be sometime before this conference can be held and possibly longer still before the conference can agree. Certainly no agreement will have been reached before the latter part of April when the governor has indicated his intention of assembling the legislature in special session.

ELKINS "DRY"

As a Result of the Votes of Negroes Who Are Bootlegging.

ELKINS, Mar. 8.—One of the bitterest municipal campaigns in the history of the city came to an end yesterday, the city going dry again by a majority of forty-three, despite the fact that the mayor and three candidates for councilmen on the Citizens' (wet) ticket, were elected, a totally unexpected result.

Dr. A. M. Fredlock, Citizens candidate for mayor, was elected for the third term, having a majority of 156. Citizens candidates elected to council were C. H. Scott, Lee Crouch and O. J. King, while the People's Reform party elected William Gulland and George P. Harris. As a result of this election the council is a tie, Mayor Fredlock having the deciding vote. The town will be dry for a period of two years.

The majority against license was brought about by the negroes of the city, who, since the town went dry, have been bootlegging very extensively, and who voted against license almost solidly.

DELEGATES

From Local Woodmen's Camp to Attend the Roanoke Convention.

Delegates from the local camp of the Woodmen of the World will leave Sunday night for Roanoke, Va., to attend the convention of the head camp of jurisdiction 1, which opens here next Tuesday. The delegates from Clarksburg who will attend are Felix O. Sutton, P. S. Guinn, J. S. Adams and Charles M. Ernst. Mr. Ernst will be accompanied by his family.

At the meeting of the local camp tonight several persons will be initiated.

MAYOR FINES THREE MEN.

Fines of \$4.50 each were imposed upon three men this morning in police court for drunkenness. Two of them were released on payment and in default the other was sent across the city line by a policeman.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to William E. Robinson and Edna I. Minton and David A. Reid and Della Susan Maitreney.